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LAYERS USING POST-DEPOSITION SPUTTER ETCH

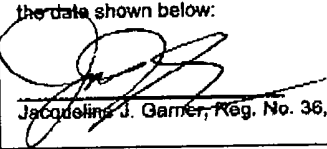
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In response to the Office action of May 20, 2003, please amend the  
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There are no **Amendments to the Specification.**

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begin  
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There are no **Amendments to the Drawings.**

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